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General Counsel

Retired Officers -- Dual Compensation

- 1. I am returning herewith the forms you asked us to review sometime back. As I mentioned to you on the telephone, we have some reservations about the advisability of using these forms as a guide to employment of retired officers. I do not wish to detract from the very able effort that was made to cover this difficult field but it is a subject which is not readily susceptible to clear-cut guidance on every case. Thus, even in the time we have had this schedule, a ruling has already made questionable a statement which was accurate at the time the schedule was prepared.
- 2. In another case, we are not sure the rule is as clear-cut as stated. The troublesome part about this whole subject is that the financial liability falls on the individual and we must take every precaution that he is protected. We feel, therefore, that it is worth the time and trouble to review every case individually.
- 3. I understand that this schedule resulted from a front-office inquiry as to whether the problem could not be simply stated. The answer is a definite "no" until such time as some sensible legislation is passed. Such legislation is pending but may be bogged down indefinitely, as we know from our experience in trying to get it out of committee last year.

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